

Dependence of α in Peak Norms and Best Peak Norms Approximation

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1. INTRODUCTION

Let $C[0, 1]$ be the space of all continuous functions defined on $[0, 1]$ and U be an n dimensional subspace of $C[0, 1]$. For $0 < \alpha \leq 1$, the peak norm, or α -norm is defined by

$$\|f\|_\alpha = \frac{1}{\alpha} \sup \left\{ \int_A |f| d\mu \mid \mu(A) = \alpha, A \subset [0, 1] \right\},$$

where μ denotes the Lebesgue measure. We say $p_\alpha \in U$ is a best α -norm approximant to f from U if

$$D_\alpha(f) = \|f - p_\alpha\|_\alpha = \inf\{\|f - u\|_\alpha \mid u \in U\}.$$

α -norm and best α -norm approximation were introduced and discussed in [4], and also in [6]. α -norms serve as a bridge between the classical uniform norm and L^1 norm, because it is L^1 norm when $\alpha = 1$ and $\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \|f\|_\alpha = \|f\| = \max_{0 \leq x \leq 1} |f(x)|$, the uniform norm of f . Best α -norm approximation has both an L^1 -type characterization theorem and alternating

property [4]. A sufficient condition for the uniqueness of best α -norm approximation is given in [6]: “ U is an A-space and $\mu(Z(u)) < \alpha$ for any $0 \neq u \in U$, where $Z(u) = \{x \mid u(x) = 0\}$.” This condition becomes that U is an A-space when $\alpha = 1$ and U is a Chebyshev space on $(0, 1)$ when $\alpha \rightarrow 0$. Recall that an A-space guarantees the uniqueness of the best L^1 approximation and a Chebyshev space guarantees the uniqueness of the best uniform approximation. Recently the peak L^p norms are studied in [5].

In this paper we shall study $\|f\|_\alpha$, $D_\alpha(f)$ and $P_\alpha(f) = \{p \in U \mid \|f - p\|_\alpha = D_\alpha(f)\}$ as functions of α for a fixed function f . We shall show their continuous dependence on α and differentiability with respect to α .

2. CONTINUITY IN α

We begin with stating some known results:

THEOREM 2.1 [4, 6]. *Let $f \in C[0, 1]$, U , $D_\alpha(f)$ and $P_\alpha(f)$ be defined as above. Then*

(1) *If $0 < \beta < \alpha \leq 1$, then*

$$\|f\|_\alpha \leq \|f\|_\beta \leq \frac{\alpha}{\beta} \|f\|_\alpha$$

and

$$D_\alpha(f) \leq D_\beta(f) \leq \frac{\alpha}{\beta} D_\alpha(f).$$

(2) *If U is an A-space and $\mu(Z(u)) < \alpha$ for any $0 \neq u \in U$, then there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that the best β -norm approximation of f is unique for all $\beta > \alpha - \delta$, which is denoted by $p_\beta(f)$, and*

$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha} p_\beta(f) = p_\alpha(f), \quad 0 < \alpha < 1,$$

and

$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow 1^-} p_\beta(f) = p_1(f).$$

(3) *If U is a Chebyshev space, then*

$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow 0^+} p_\beta(f) = p_0(f),$$

where $p_0(f)$ denotes the unique best uniform norm approximant of f .

We need some more notations.

Let $A_\alpha(f)$ denote any α -norm norming set of f ; i.e., $\mu(A_\alpha(f)) = \alpha$ and

$$\frac{1}{\alpha} \int_{A_\alpha(f)} |f| = \|f\|_\alpha.$$

In what follows, we always choose $A_\alpha(f) \subset A_\beta(f)$ whenever $\alpha \leq \beta$.

Let

$$h_\alpha(f) = \inf\{h \mid \mu\{x \in [0, 1] \mid |f(x)| \geq h\} \leq \alpha\}.$$

It is worth noting that for any norming set $A_\alpha(f)$

$$\{x \mid |f(x)| > h_\alpha(f)\} \subset A_\alpha(f) \subset \{x \mid |f(x)| \geq h_\alpha(f)\}.$$

Let

$$E(f) = \{x \mid |f(x)| = \|f\|\},$$

where $\|\cdot\|$ denotes the uniform norm.

Also, for simplicity, $\alpha \rightarrow 0(1)$ means $\alpha \rightarrow 0^+(1^-)$, and $f'_+(x)$ is considered only for $0 \leq x < 1$ and $f'_-(x)$ is considered only for $0 < x \leq 1$.

THEOREM 2.2. *Let $P_\alpha = P_\alpha(f)$. For $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$, we have*

$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha} \sup_{p \in P_\beta} \inf_{q \in P_\alpha} \{\|p - q\|\} = 0.$$

Proof. Suppose that the above limit does not go to 0, then there exist α_k , $k = 1, 2, \dots$ with $|\alpha_k - \alpha| \leq \frac{1}{k}$ and $p_k \in P_{\alpha_k}$ such that

$$\inf_{q \in P_\alpha} \{\|q - p_k\|\} > \frac{1}{k}. \quad (1)$$

Since $\{p_k\}$ is bounded, by compactness of a closed bounded set in a finite dimensional space, there is a subsequence $\{p_{k_j}\}$ converging to p . Then, for $0 < \alpha \leq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} \|f - p\|_\alpha &= \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \|f - p_{k_j}\|_\alpha \leq \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \max \left\{ 1, \frac{\alpha}{\alpha_{k_j}} \right\} \|f - p_{k_j}\|_{\alpha_{k_j}} \\ &= \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} D_{\alpha_{k_j}}(f) = D_\alpha(f). \end{aligned}$$

The last inequality follows from Theorem 2.1. This means that $p \in P_\alpha$ and it contradicts (1).

For $\alpha = 0$ and $p \notin P_0$,

$$\|f - p\| > \|f - q\| = D_0(f)$$

and there exist $x_0 \in [0, 1]$ and $\varepsilon_0 > 0$ such that

$$|f(x_0) - p(x_0)| > \|f - q\| + 3\varepsilon_0.$$

By the continuity of f and the fact $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \|p_{k_j} - p\| = 0$, there exist $m > 0$ such that for $j > m$ and $|x - x_0| < \frac{1}{m}$.

$$|f(x) - p_{k_j}(x)| > \|f - q\| + \varepsilon_0 \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha_{k_j} < \frac{1}{m}$$

and then

$$\|f - p_{k_j}\|_{\alpha_{k_j}} \geq \|f - q\| + \varepsilon_0 > \|f - q\|_{\alpha_{k_j}}.$$

This contradicts that $p_{k_j} \in P_{\alpha_{k_j}}$.

The next two lemmas show the continuity of $h_\alpha(f - p)$ with $p \in P_\alpha(f)$. These results will be used in proving the differentiability of $D_\alpha(f)$.

LEMMA 2.3. *If $\beta < \alpha$, then*

$$\sup_{q \in P_\alpha(f)} \{h_\alpha(f - q)\} \leq \inf_{p \in P_\beta(f)} \{h_\beta(f - p)\}.$$

Proof. For any $p_\alpha \in P_\alpha$ and $p_\beta \in P_\beta$ with $\beta < \alpha$,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{A_\alpha(f - p_\alpha)} |f - p_\alpha| &= \alpha D_\alpha(f) \leq \int_{A_\alpha(f - p_\beta)} |f - p_\beta| \\ &= \int_{A_\beta(f - p_\beta)} |f - p_\beta| + \int_{A_\alpha(f - p_\beta) - A_\beta(f - p_\beta)} |f - p_\beta| \\ &\leq \beta D_\beta(f) + (\alpha - \beta) h_\beta(f - p_\beta) \\ &\leq \int_{A_\beta(f - p_\alpha)} |f - p_\alpha| + (\alpha - \beta) h_\beta(f - p_\beta) \\ &= \int_{A_\beta(f - p_\alpha)} |f - p_\alpha| + (\alpha - \beta) h_\alpha(f - p_\alpha) \\ &\quad - (\alpha - \beta) h_\alpha(f - p_\alpha) + (\alpha - \beta) h_\beta(f - p_\beta) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq \int_{A_\beta(f-p_\alpha)} |f-p_\alpha| + \int_{A_\alpha(f-p_\alpha)-A_\beta(f-p_\alpha)} |f-p_\alpha| \\
&\quad - (\alpha-\beta) h_\alpha(f-p_\alpha) + (\alpha-\beta) h_\beta(f-p_\beta) \\
&= \int_{A_\alpha(f-p_\alpha)} |f-p_\alpha| + (\alpha-\beta)(h_\beta(f-p_\beta) - h_\alpha(f-p_\alpha)).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus $h_\beta(f-p_\beta) - h_\alpha(f-p_\alpha) \geq 0$.

LEMMA 2.4. *Let $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$ and $f \in C[0, 1]$. Then*

$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha^+} \sup_{q \in P_\beta(f)} \{ |h_\beta(f-q) - \inf_{p \in P_\alpha(f)} \{h_\alpha(f-p)\}| \} = 0 \quad (2)$$

and

$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha^-} \sup_{q \in P_\beta(f)} \{ |h_\beta(f-q) - \sup_{p \in P_\alpha(f)} \{h_\alpha(f-p)\}| \} = 0. \quad (3)$$

Proof. By Lemma 2.3, for $\beta > \alpha$,

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sup_{q \in P_\beta(f)} \{ |h_\beta(f-q) - \inf_{p \in P_\alpha(f)} \{h_\alpha(f-p)\}| \} \\
&= \sup_{q \in P_\beta(f)} \{ \inf_{p \in P_\alpha(f)} \{ |h_\beta(f-q) - h_\alpha(f-p)| \} \}
\end{aligned}$$

and for $\beta < \alpha$,

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sup_{q \in P_\beta(f)} \{ |h_\beta(f-q) - \sup_{p \in P_\alpha(f)} \{h_\alpha(f-p)\}| \} \\
&= \sup_{q \in P_\beta(f)} \{ \inf_{p \in P_\alpha(f)} \{ |h_\beta(f-q) - h_\alpha(f-p)| \} \},
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sup_{q \in P_\beta(f)} \{ \inf_{p \in P_\alpha(f)} \{ |h_\beta(f-q) - h_\alpha(f-p)| \} \} \\
&\leq \sup_{q \in P_\beta(f)} \{ \inf_{p \in P_\alpha(f)} \{ |h_\beta(f-q) - h_\beta(f-p)| \} \} \\
&\quad + \sup_{p \in P_\alpha(f)} \{ |h_\beta(f-p) - h_\alpha(f-p)| \}.
\end{aligned}$$

By Theorem 2.2, the first term of the above expression goes to 0 as $\beta \rightarrow \alpha$. Since $P_\alpha(f)$ is a compact set and all functions in this set are continuous, for every $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that $|p_\alpha(x) - p_\alpha(y)| < \varepsilon$ for any $x, y \in [0, 1]$ with $|x - y| < \delta$ and any $p_\alpha \in P_\alpha(f)$. Thus the second term of the above expression goes to 0 too as $\beta \rightarrow \alpha$.

Thus,

$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha} \sup_{q \in P_\beta(f)} \left\{ \inf_{p \in P_\alpha(f)} \left\{ |h_\beta(f - q) - h_\alpha(f - p)| \right\} \right\} = 0.$$

COROLLARY 2.5. *Let $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$ and $f \in C[0, 1]$. If $h_\alpha(f - p)$ have the same value for all $p \in P_\alpha(f)$, then*

$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha} \sup_{q \in P_\beta(f)} |h_\beta(f - q) - h_\alpha(f - p)| = 0.$$

When the best α -norm approximation is unique, i.e. $P_\alpha(f)$ is singleton, then $h_\alpha(f - p)$ of course has one value. However, if $P_\alpha(f)$ is not singleton, $h_\alpha(f - p)$ may be different for different $p \in P_\alpha(f)$. See Example 2 in the next section.

3. DIFFERENTIABILITY IN α

THEOREM 3.1. *Let $f \in C[0, 1]$. Then, for $0 < \alpha \leq 1$, $\|f\|_\alpha$ is differentiable with respect to α , and*

$$\frac{d}{d\alpha} \|f\|_\alpha = \frac{h_\alpha(f) - \|f\|_\alpha}{\alpha} \leq 0.$$

Proof. Choose norming sets $A_\alpha(f)$ and $A_\beta(f)$ such that $A_\alpha(f) \subset A_\beta(f)$ if $\alpha < \beta$, and $A_\beta(f) \subset A_\alpha(f)$ if $\beta < \alpha$. Let $A \Delta B = (A - B) \cup (B - A)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\|f\|_\beta - \|f\|_\alpha}{\beta - \alpha} \\ &= \frac{(1/\beta) \int_{A_\beta(f)} |f| - (1/\alpha) \int_{A_\alpha(f)} |f|}{\beta - \alpha} \\ &= \frac{(1/\beta - 1/\alpha) \int_{A_\alpha(f) \cup A_\beta(f)} |f| + \operatorname{sgn}\{\beta - \alpha\} \min\{1/\beta, 1/\alpha\} \int_{A_\alpha(f) \Delta A_\beta(f)} |f|}{\beta - \alpha} \\ &= -\frac{1}{\beta\alpha} \int_{A_\alpha(f) \cap A_\beta(f)} |f| + \frac{\min\{1/\beta, 1/\alpha\}}{|\beta - \alpha|} \\ & \quad \times \left[\int_{A_\alpha(f) \Delta A_\beta(f)} h_\alpha(f) + \int_{A_\alpha(f) \Delta A_\beta(f)} (|f(x)| - h_\alpha(f)) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Since $A_\alpha(f) \cap A_\beta(f) = A_\alpha(f)$ when $\alpha \leq \beta (= A_\beta(f))$ when $\alpha \geq \beta$, $\mu(A_\alpha(f) \setminus A_\beta(f)) = |\beta - \alpha|$ and $\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha} \| |f(x)| - h_\alpha(f) \|_{A_\alpha(f) \setminus A_\beta(f)} = 0$, we have

$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha} \frac{\|f\|_\beta - \|f\|_\alpha}{\beta - \alpha} = -\frac{1}{\alpha^2} \int_{A_\alpha(f)} |f| + \frac{1}{\alpha} h_\alpha(f) = \frac{h_\alpha(f) - \|f\|_\alpha}{\alpha} \leq 0.$$

The last inequality follows from the fact $h_\alpha(f) \leq \|f\|_\alpha$.

THEOREM 3.2. *Let $f \in C[0, 1]$, then*

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\geq \limsup_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|f\|_\alpha - \|f\|}{\alpha} \geq \liminf_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|f\|_\alpha - \|f\|}{\alpha} \\ &\geq - \left(\inf_{x \in E(f)} \left\{ \limsup_{\substack{h \rightarrow 0, h > 0 \\ x+h \in [0, 1]}} \left| \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \right| (x \neq 1), \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. \limsup_{\substack{h \rightarrow 0, h < 0 \\ x+h \in [0, 1]}} \left| \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \right| (x \neq 0) \right\} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Since $\|f\|_\alpha \leq \|f\|$, the first two inequalities are obvious. For any $x_0 \in E(f)$, let

$$\limsup_{\substack{h \rightarrow 0, h > 0 \\ x_0+h \in [0, 1]}} \left| \frac{f(x_0+h) - f(x_0)}{h} \right| = \lambda.$$

Then for any $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a δ such that for $0 < h < \delta$,

$$\left| \frac{f(x_0+h) - f(x_0)}{h} \right| < \lambda + \varepsilon,$$

or

$$\frac{|f(x_0+h)| - |f(x_0)|}{h} > -\lambda - \varepsilon.$$

Then, for $\alpha < \delta$,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\|f\|_\alpha - \|f\|}{\alpha} &\geq \frac{1}{\alpha^2} \int_{[x_0, x_0+\alpha]} (|f(x)| - \|f\|) = \frac{1}{\alpha^2} \int_{[x_0, x_0+\alpha]} (|f(x)| - |f(x_0)|) \\ &\geq \frac{1}{\alpha} \int_{[x_0, x_0+\alpha]} \frac{|f(x)| - |f(x_0)|}{x - x_0} > -\lambda - \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

This shows

$$\liminf_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|f\|_{\alpha} - \|f\|}{\alpha} \geq - \limsup_{\substack{h \rightarrow 0, h > 0 \\ x+h \in [0, 1]}} \left| \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \right|.$$

The proof of

$$\liminf_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|f\|_{\alpha} - \|f\|}{\alpha} \geq - \limsup_{\substack{h \rightarrow 0, h < 0 \\ x+h \in [0, 1]}} \left| \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \right|$$

is similar. Combining these inequalities proves the theorem.

COROLLARY 3.3. *Let $f \in C[0, 1]$.*

(1) *If $\{x \mid x \in E(f) \text{ and either } f'_+(x) \text{ or } f'_-(x) \text{ exists}\} \neq \emptyset$, then*

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\geq \limsup_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|f\|_{\alpha} - \|f\|}{\alpha} \geq \liminf_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|f\|_{\alpha} - \|f\|}{\alpha} \\ &\geq - \left(\inf_{x \in E(f)} \{ |f'_-(x)|, |f'_+(x)| \} \right). \end{aligned}$$

(2) *If $\inf_{x \in E(f)} \{ |f'_-(x)|, |f'_+(x)| \} = 0$, then*

$$\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|f\|_{\alpha} - \|f\|}{\alpha} = 0.$$

THEOREM 3.4. *Let $f \in C[0, 1]$. If both $f'_+(x)$ and $f'_-(x)$ exist or is $\pm \infty$ for any $x \in E(f)$, then*

$$\begin{aligned} &\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|f\|_{\alpha} - \|f\|}{\alpha} \\ &= \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{2 \sum_{x \in E(f)} \left(\frac{1}{|f'_+(x)|} + \frac{1}{|f'_-(x)|} \right)} & 0 < \min_{x \in E(f)} \{ |f'_+(x)|, |f'_-(x)| \} < \infty, \\ 0 & \inf_{x \in E(f)} \{ |f'_+(x)|, |f'_-(x)| \} = 0, \\ -\infty & \min_{x \in E(f)} \{ |f'_+(x)|, |f'_-(x)| \} = \infty, \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

where $f'_-(0)$ is not considered if $0 \in E(f)$ and $f'_+(1)$ is not considered if $1 \in E(f)$.

Proof. First, if $E(f)$ contains infinite many points, then by compactness, there exists $x_0 \in E(f)$ which is also an accumulation point of $E(f)$. Since both $f'_-(x_0)$ (if $x_0 \neq 0$) and $f'_+(x_0)$ (if $x_0 \neq 1$) exist, at least one of them must be zero. Thus, by Corollary 3.3

$$\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|f\|_\alpha - \|f\|}{\alpha} = 0.$$

Now, we assume that $E(f)$ contains only finite points x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k . For sufficient small $\alpha > 0$, a norming set of f can be expressed as

$$A_\alpha(f) = \bigcup_{i=1}^k [s_i, t_i],$$

and $|f(s_{i+1})| = |f(t_i)| = h_\alpha(f)$, $i = 1, \dots, k-1$. Also, for sufficient small α ,

$$|f(s_1)| = \begin{cases} \|f\| & \text{if } s_1 = x_1 = 0 \\ h_\alpha(f) & \text{if } x_1 > 0 \end{cases}$$

and

$$|f(t_k)| = \begin{cases} \|f\| & \text{if } t_k = x_k = 1 \\ h_\alpha(f) & \text{if } x_k < 1. \end{cases}$$

Then,

$$f'_-(x_i) + o(\alpha) = \frac{f(s_i) - f(x_i)}{s_i - x_i} = \operatorname{sgn}(f(x_i)) \frac{h_\alpha(f) - \|f\|}{s_i - x_i},$$

$$i = 2, 3, \dots, k, \quad \text{and} \quad i = 1 \quad \text{if } x_1 \neq 0$$

and

$$f'_+(x_i) + o(\alpha) = \frac{f(t_i) - f(x_i)}{t_i - x_i} = \operatorname{sgn}(f(x_i)) \frac{h_\alpha(f) - \|f\|}{t_i - x_i},$$

$$i = 1, 2, \dots, k-1, \quad \text{and} \quad i = k \quad \text{if } x_k \neq 1.$$

Solve for $x_i - s_i$ and $t_i - x_i$ from the above equalities and get

$$x_i - s_i = -\operatorname{sgn}(f(x_i)) \frac{h_\alpha(f) - \|f\|}{f'_-(x_i) + o(\alpha)} = \frac{\|f\| - h_\alpha(f)}{|f'_-(x_i)| + o(\alpha)},$$

$$t_i - x_i = -\operatorname{sgn}(f(x_i)) \frac{h_\alpha(f) - \|f\|}{f'_+(x_i) + o(\alpha)} = \frac{\|f\| - h_\alpha(f)}{|f'_+(x_i)| + o(\alpha)}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha &= \sum_{i=1}^k [(x_i - s_i) + (t_i - x_i)] \\ &= (\|f\| - h_\alpha(f)) \sum_{i=1}^k \left(\frac{1}{|f'_-(x_i)| + o(\alpha)} + \frac{1}{|f'_+(x_i)| + o(\alpha)} \right).\end{aligned}$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\|f\|_{(\alpha)} - \|f\|}{\alpha} &= \frac{1}{\alpha^2} \int_{A_\alpha(f)} |f(x)| - \|f\| \\ &= \frac{1}{\alpha^2} \sum_{i=1}^k \int_{s_i}^{t_i} (x - x_i) \operatorname{sgn}(f(x_i)) \frac{f(x) - f(x_i)}{x - x_i} \\ &= \frac{1}{\alpha^2} \sum_{i=1}^k \left[\int_{s_i}^{x_i} (x - x_i) \operatorname{sgn}(f(x_i)) \frac{f(x) - f(x_i)}{x - x_i} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \int_{x_i}^{t_i} (x - x_i) \operatorname{sgn}(f(x_i)) \frac{f(x) - f(x_i)}{x - x_i} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\alpha^2} \sum_{i=1}^k \left[\operatorname{sgn}(f(x_i)) \frac{f(x_i^-) - f(x_i)}{x_i^- - x_i} \int_{s_i}^{x_i} (x - x_i) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \operatorname{sgn}(f(x_i)) \frac{f(x_i^+) - f(x_i)}{x_i^+ - x_i} \int_{x_i}^{t_i} (x - x_i) \right] \\ &= -\frac{1}{2\alpha^2} \sum_{i=1}^k \left[\operatorname{sgn}(f(x_i)) \frac{f(x_i^-) - f(x_i)}{x_i^- - x_i} (x_i - s_i)^2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \operatorname{sgn}(f(x_i)) \frac{f(x_i^+) - f(x_i)}{x_i^+ - x_i} (t_i - x_i)^2 \right] \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^k \left[(|f'_-(x_i)| + o(\alpha)) \frac{(x_i - s_i)^2}{\alpha^2} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (|f'_+(x_i)| + o(\alpha)) \frac{(t_i - x_i)^2}{\alpha^2} \right] \\ &= -\frac{1}{2(\sum_{i=1}^k (1/(|f'_-(x_i)| + o(\alpha)) + 1/(|f'_+(x_i)| + o(\alpha))))^2} \\ &\quad \times \sum_{i=1}^k \left[\frac{1}{|f'_-(x_i)| + o(\alpha)} + \frac{1}{|f'_+(x_i)| + o(\alpha)} \right] \\ &= -\frac{1}{2 \sum_{i=1}^k (1/(|f'_-(x)| + o(\alpha)) + 1/(|f'_+(x)| + o(\alpha)))},\end{aligned}$$

where $s_i < x_i^- < x_i$ and $x_i < x_i^+ < t_i$ whose existence follows from the Mean Value Theorem for the integral. Thus,

$$\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|f\|_\alpha - \|f\|}{\alpha} = -\frac{1}{2 \sum_{x \in E(f)} (1/|f'_+(x)| + 1/|f'_-(x)|)}.$$

For the case that $\min_{x \in E(f)} \{|f'_+(x)|, |f'_-(x)|\} = \infty$, the proof is similar.

The following example shows that $\|f\|_{(\alpha)}$ may not be differentiable at $\alpha = 0$ if $f'_+(x)$ or $f'_-(x)$ does not exist for some $x \in E(f)$.

EXAMPLE 1. Let

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \frac{1}{2^k} + x - \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{2^k}, & \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{2^k} \leq x \leq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{2^k} + \frac{1}{2^{n+2}}, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots \\ \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{2^k}, & \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{2^k} + \frac{1}{2^{n+2}} \leq x \leq \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} \frac{1}{2^k}, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots \end{cases}$$

$$\|f\| = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k} = \frac{1}{4} \quad \text{and} \quad f'_-(1) \text{ does not exist.}$$

If $\alpha = \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} (1/2^k) = 1/2^n$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \|f\|_\alpha &= \frac{1}{1/2^n} \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2^{k+1}} \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{1}{2^i} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2^{k+1}} + \frac{1}{2^{k+2}} \right) \frac{1}{2^{k+2}} \right) \\ &= 2^n \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{2^{k+1}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^{k-1}} \right) + \frac{3}{8} \frac{1}{4^{k+1}} \right) \\ &= 2^n \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{2^{k+1}} - \frac{1}{8} \frac{1}{4^{k+1}} \right) = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{8} \frac{1}{2^n}. \end{aligned}$$

If $\alpha = \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} (1/2^k) - 1/2^{n+2} = 1/2^n - 1/2^{n+2}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \|f\|_{\alpha} &= \frac{1}{1/2^n - 1/2^{n+2}} \left[\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2^{k+1}} \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{1}{2^i} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2^{k+1}} + \frac{1}{2^{k+2}} \right) \frac{1}{2^{k+2}} \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2^{n+2}} \left(\frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \frac{1}{2^k} + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{2^k} \right) \right] \\ &= \frac{2^{n+2}}{3} \left(\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{2^{k+1}} - \frac{1}{8} \frac{1}{4^{k+1}} \right) - \frac{1}{16} \frac{1}{2^n} + \frac{3}{32} \frac{1}{4^n} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{24} \frac{1}{2^n}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} ((\|f\|_{\alpha} - \|f\|)/\alpha)$ does not exist.

THEOREM 3.5. *Let $f \in C[0, 1]$ and $0 < \alpha \leq 1$. Then*

$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha^+} \frac{D_{\beta}(f) - D_{\alpha}(f)}{\beta - \alpha} = \frac{1}{\alpha} \left(\inf_{p \in P_{\alpha}(f)} \{h_{\alpha}(f - p)\} - D_{\alpha}(f) \right)$$

and

$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha^-} \frac{D_{\beta}(f) - D_{\alpha}(f)}{\beta - \alpha} = \frac{1}{\alpha} \left(\sup_{p \in P_{\alpha}(f)} \{h_{\alpha}(f - p)\} - D_{\alpha}(f) \right).$$

If $h_{\alpha}(f - p)$ has the same value for all $p \in P_{\alpha}(f)$, then $D_{\alpha}(f)$ is differentiable with respect to α and

$$\frac{d}{d\alpha} D_{\alpha}(f) = \lim_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha} \frac{D_{\beta}(f) - D_{\alpha}(f)}{\beta - \alpha} = \frac{1}{\alpha} (h_{\alpha}(f - p) - D_{\alpha}(f)).$$

Proof. For $\alpha < \beta$, let $\bar{p}_{\alpha} \in P_{\alpha}$ such that $h_{\alpha}(f - \bar{p}_{\alpha}) = \inf_{p \in P_{\alpha}(f)} \{h_{\alpha}(f - p)\}$ and by Lemma 2.4 we can choose $p_{\beta} \in P_{\beta}$ such that

$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha^+} h_{\beta}(f - p_{\beta}) = h_{\alpha}(f - \bar{p}_{\alpha}). \quad (4)$$

By Theorem 2.2, for each above p_{β} one can find a $p_{\alpha(\beta)} \in P_{\alpha}(f)$ such that

$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha^+} \|p_{\alpha(\beta)} - p_{\beta}\| = 0, \quad (5)$$

and hence

$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha^+} h_{\beta}(f - p_{\alpha(\beta)}) = h_{\alpha}(f - \bar{p}_{\alpha}). \quad (6)$$

Since $P_\alpha(f)$ is a compact set and all functions in this set are continuous, for every $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that for any $p_\alpha \in P_\alpha(f)$ and any $x, y \in [0, 1]$ with $|x - y| < \delta$

$$|p_\alpha(x) - p_\alpha(y)| < \varepsilon,$$

and then by (5)

$$|p_\beta(x) - p_\beta(y)| \leq |p_{\alpha(\beta)}(x) - p_{\alpha(\beta)}(y)| + 2 \|p_{\alpha(\beta)} - p_\beta\| < \varepsilon$$

for sufficient small δ and $0 \leq \beta - \alpha < \delta$.

Thus, for every $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that for any $x \in A_\beta(f - p_\beta) - A_\alpha(f - p_\beta)$ with $|\alpha - \beta| < \delta$

$$\|f(x) - p_\beta(x)\| - h_\beta(f - p_\beta) < \varepsilon.$$

Also by (5)

$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha^+} |h_\beta(f - p_{\alpha(\beta)}) - h_\beta(f - p_\beta)| = 0. \quad (7)$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha^+} \sup_{x \in A_\beta(f - p_\beta) - A_\alpha(f - p_\beta)} \|f(x) - p_{\alpha(\beta)}(x)\| - h_\beta(f - p_{\alpha(\beta)}) \\ & \leq \lim_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha^+} \sup_{x \in A_\beta(f - p_\beta) - A_\alpha(f - p_\beta)} \|f(x) - p_\beta(x)\| - h_\beta(f - p_\beta) \\ & \quad + \lim_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha^+} \|p_{\alpha(\beta)} - p_\beta\| + \lim_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha^+} |h_\beta(f - p_{\alpha(\beta)}) - h_\beta(f - p_\beta)| = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

Then, by (4), (5), (6), (7), and (8)

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{A_\beta(f - p_\beta) - A_\alpha(f - p_\beta)} |f - p_\beta| \\ & = (\beta - \alpha) h_\beta(f - p_\beta) + \int_{A_\beta(f - p_\beta) - A_\alpha(f - p_\beta)} (|f - p_\beta| - |f - p_{\alpha(\beta)}|) \\ & \quad + \int_{A_\beta(f - p_\beta) - A_\alpha(f - p_\beta)} (|f - p_{\alpha(\beta)}| - h_\beta(f - p_{\alpha(\beta)})) \\ & \quad + (\beta - \alpha)(h_\beta(f - p_{\alpha(\beta)}) - h_\beta(f - p_\beta)) \\ & = (\beta - \alpha) h_\beta(f - p_\beta) + o(\beta - \alpha) \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{A_\beta(f-\bar{p}_\alpha)-A_\alpha(f-\bar{p}_\alpha)} |f-\bar{p}_\alpha| \\
&= (\beta-\alpha) h_\alpha(f-\bar{p}_\alpha) + \int_{A_\beta(f-\bar{p}_\alpha)-A_\alpha(f-\bar{p}_\alpha)} (|f-\bar{p}_\alpha| - h_\alpha(f-\bar{p}_\alpha)) \\
&= (\beta-\alpha) h_\alpha(f-\bar{p}_\alpha) + o(\beta-\alpha).
\end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

Then, by (9) and (10)

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &\geq \beta(\|f-p_\beta\|_\beta - \|f-\bar{p}_\alpha\|_\beta) \\
&= \int_{A_\beta(f-p_\beta)} |f-p_\beta| - \int_{A_\beta(f-\bar{p}_\alpha)} |f-\bar{p}_\alpha| \\
&= \int_{A_\alpha(f-p_\beta)} |f-p_\beta| + \int_{A_\beta(f-p_\beta)-A_\alpha(f-p_\beta)} |f-p_\beta| \\
&\quad - \left[\int_{A_\alpha(f-\bar{p}_\alpha)} |f-\bar{p}_\alpha| + \int_{A_\beta(f-\bar{p}_\alpha)-A_\alpha(f-\bar{p}_\alpha)} |f-\bar{p}_\alpha| \right] \\
&= \int_{A_\alpha(f-p_\beta)} |f-p_\beta| + h_\beta(f-p_\beta)(\beta-\alpha) + o(\beta-\alpha) \\
&\quad - \left[\int_{A_\alpha(f-\bar{p}_\alpha)} |f-\bar{p}_\alpha| + h_\alpha(f-\bar{p}_\alpha)(\beta-\alpha) + o(\beta-\alpha) \right] \\
&= (h_\beta(f-p_\beta) - h_\alpha(f-\bar{p}_\alpha))(\beta-\alpha) + \alpha \|f-p_\beta\|_\alpha - \alpha D_\alpha(f) + o(\beta-\alpha) \\
&\geq (h_\beta(f-p_\beta) - h_\alpha(f-\bar{p}_\alpha))(\beta-\alpha) + o(\beta-\alpha).
\end{aligned}$$

From the above inequality and (4), we get

$$0 \geq \lim_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha^+} \frac{\|f-p_\beta\|_\beta - \|f-\bar{p}_\alpha\|_\beta}{\beta-\alpha} \geq \lim_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha^+} \frac{1}{\beta} (h_\beta(f-p_\beta) - h_\alpha(f-\bar{p}_\alpha)) = 0.$$

This shows

$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha^+} \frac{\|f-p_\beta\|_\beta - \|f-\bar{p}_\alpha\|_\beta}{\beta-\alpha} = 0. \tag{11}$$

Now,

$$D_\beta(f) - D_\alpha(f) = \|f-p_\beta\|_\beta - \|f-\bar{p}_\alpha\|_\beta + \|f-\bar{p}_\alpha\|_\beta - \|f-\bar{p}_\alpha\|_\alpha \tag{12}$$

and by Theorem 3.1

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha^+} \frac{\|f - \bar{p}_\alpha\|_\beta - \|f - \bar{p}_\alpha\|_\alpha}{\beta - \alpha} &= \frac{h_\alpha(f - \bar{p}_\alpha) - \|f - \bar{p}_\alpha\|_\alpha}{\alpha} \\ &= \frac{h_\alpha(f - \bar{p}_\alpha) - D_\alpha(f)}{\alpha}. \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

Finally, combining (11), (12), and (13),

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha^+} \frac{D_\beta(f) - D_\alpha(f)}{\beta - \alpha} &= \frac{h_\alpha(f - \bar{p}_\alpha) - D_\alpha(f)}{\alpha} \\ &= \frac{1}{\alpha} \left(\inf_{p \in P_\alpha(f)} \{h_\alpha(f - p)\} - D_\alpha(f) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly we can prove

$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \alpha^-} \frac{D_\beta(f) - D_\alpha(f)}{\beta - \alpha} = \frac{1}{\alpha} \left(\sup_{p \in P_\alpha(f)} \{h_\alpha(f - p)\} - D_\alpha(f) \right).$$

The following example shows that $h_\alpha(f - p)$ may be different for different $p \in P_\alpha(f)$.

EXAMPLE 2. Let

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \leq x \leq \frac{3}{4} \\ 4 - 4x, & \frac{3}{4} \leq x \leq 1, \end{cases} \quad u(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4}x - \frac{1}{8}, & 0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ x - \frac{1}{2}, & \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 1, \end{cases}$$

and $U = \text{span}\{u\}$.

Then U is a unicity space of α -norm approximation for any α except $\alpha = \frac{3}{4}$ (see [6]). For $\alpha = \frac{3}{4}$, all $cu(x)$, $0 \leq c \leq 1$ are best α -norm approximation of f from U and $h_\alpha(f - cu)$ ranges from $\frac{3}{4}$ to 1.

THEOREM 3.6. Let $f \in C[0, 1]$.

(1) If f and all $u \in U$ satisfy Lipschitz condition, i.e., there exists $L > 0$ such that for any $x, y \in [0, 1]$

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \leq L |x - y|$$

and for each $u \in U$, there exists $L_u > 0$ such that for any $x, y \in [0, 1]$

$$|u(x) - u(y)| \leq L_u |x - y|,$$

then there exists $M > 0$ such that

$$|D_\alpha(f) - D_0(f)| \leq M\alpha.$$

(2) If $P_0(f) = \{p_0\}$ is singleton, $u'(x) \in C[0, 1]$ for all $u \in U$, and $f'(x) - p'_0(x) = 0$ for all $x \in E(f - p_0)$, then

$$\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \frac{D_\alpha(f) - D_0(f)}{\alpha} = 0.$$

Proof. Since $\bigcup_{0 \leq \alpha \leq 1} P_\alpha(f)$ is a bounded set in a finite dimensional space and each of them satisfies Lipschitz condition, we can find a number $B > 0$ such that for any $p \in \bigcup_{0 \leq \alpha \leq 1} P_\alpha(f)$ and $|x - y| \leq \alpha$

$$|p(x) - p(y)| \leq B\alpha.$$

Let $M = L + B$ and then

$$\begin{aligned} |D_\alpha(f) - D_0(f)| &= D_0(f) - D_\alpha(f) \\ &= \|f - p_0\| - \|f - p_\alpha\| + \|f - p_\alpha\| - \|f - p_\alpha\|_\alpha \\ &\leq \|f - p_\alpha\| - \|f - p_\alpha\|_\alpha \leq \|f - p_\alpha\| - h(f - p_\alpha) \leq M\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

This proves the first part of the theorem. Now, for the second part, by Theorem 2.1 we have

$$0 \leq \frac{D_0(f) - D_\alpha(f)}{\alpha}.$$

By Theorem 2.2, we can choose $p_\alpha \in P_\alpha(f)$ for each α so that $\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \|p_\alpha - p_0\| = 0$. Since they are all from a finite dimensional space and have continuous derivatives, $\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} \|p'_\alpha - p'_0\| = 0$. By a property of best uniform approximation there exists $x_0 \in E(f - p_0)$ such that $\|f - p_0\| = |f(x_0) - p_0(x_0)| \leq |f(x_0) - p_\alpha(x_0)|$.

Then

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{\|f - p_0\| - \|f - p_\alpha\|_\alpha}{\alpha} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\alpha} \left[|f(x_0) - p_\alpha(x_0)| - \frac{1}{\alpha} \int_{A_\alpha(f - p_\alpha)} |f - p_\alpha| \right] \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\alpha^2} \int_{x_0}^{x_0 + \alpha} (|f(x_0) - p_\alpha(x_0)| - |f(x) - p_\alpha(x)|) dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \frac{1}{\alpha^2} \int_{x_0}^{x_0+\alpha} (|(f(x_0) - p_0(x_0)) - (f(x) - p_0(x))|) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\alpha^2} \int_{x_0}^{x_0+\alpha} (|p_\alpha(x_0) - p_0(x_0)| - |p_\alpha(x) - p_0(x)|). \end{aligned}$$

For small α , the first term

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| \frac{1}{\alpha^2} \int_{x_0}^{x_0+\alpha} (|(f(x_0) - p_0(x_0)) - (f(x) - p_0(x))|) \right| \\ &\leq \max_{x_0 \leq x \leq x_0+\alpha} \left| \frac{(f(x) - p_\alpha(x)) - (f(x_0) - p_\alpha(x_0))}{\alpha} \right|. \end{aligned}$$

It goes to 0 by the assumption that the derivatives of $f - p_\alpha$ are all zero at any $x \in E(f)$. The second term

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{\alpha^2} \int_{x_0}^{x_0+\alpha} (|(p_\alpha(x_0) - p_0(x_0)) - (p_\alpha(x) - p_0(x))|) \\ &\leq \max_{x_0 \leq x \leq x_0+\alpha} \left| \frac{(p_\alpha(x) - p_0(x)) - (p_\alpha(x_0) - p_0(x_0))}{\alpha} \right| \end{aligned}$$

also goes to 0 because $\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} \|p'_\alpha - p'_0\| = 0$.

The second part of the theorem is proved.

Comparing part (2) of Theorem 3.6 and part (2) of Corollary 3.3, one might ask if the condition $f'(x) - p'_0(x) = 0$ for all $x \in E(f - p_0)$ can be replaced by $f'(x) - p'_0(x) = 0$ for one $x \in E(f - p_0)$. the following example shows it cannot

EXAMPLE 3. Let

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - 2x, & 0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ (2x - 1)(2x - 3), & \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 1, \end{cases}$$

$$u(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \leq x \leq \frac{2}{5} \\ \text{linear}, & \frac{2}{5} \leq x \leq \frac{3}{5} \\ 3, & \frac{3}{5} \leq x \leq 1, \end{cases}$$

and $U = \text{span}\{u\}$. Then $p_0(f) = 0$, $D_0(f) = \|f\| = 1$, and $f'(1) - p'_0(f)(1) = 0$, but, for $\alpha \leq \frac{1}{4}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{D_\alpha(f) - D_0(f)}{\alpha} &\leq \frac{\left\| f + \frac{1}{2}\alpha u \right\|_\alpha - \|f\|}{\alpha} \\ &= \frac{1}{\alpha} \left(\frac{1}{\alpha} \int_0^\alpha (1 - 2x + \frac{1}{2}\alpha) dx - 1 \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} < 0. \end{aligned}$$

THEOREM 3.7. *Let $f \in C[0, 1]$ and U be a Chebyshev space.*

(1) *If f and all $u \in U$ satisfy Lipschitz condition, then for any $p_\alpha \in P_\alpha(f)$,*

$$\|p_\alpha - p_0\| \leq C\alpha, \quad \text{for some constant } C.$$

(2) *If $f'(x), u'(x) \in C[0, 1]$ for all $u \in U$ and $f'(x) - p'_0(x) = 0$ for all $x \in E(f - p_0)$, then*

$$\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|p_\alpha - p_0\|}{\alpha} = 0.$$

Proof. By the same reason given in the proof of Theorem 3.6, there exists $L > 0$ such that for any $|x - y| \leq \alpha$ and any $p \in \bigcup_{0 \leq \alpha \leq 1} P_\alpha(f)$

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \leq \alpha \quad \text{and} \quad |p(x) - p(y)| \leq \alpha.$$

By the strong uniqueness of the best uniform approximation, there exists $\gamma = \gamma(f) > 0$ such that

$$\|f - u\| \geq \|f - p_0\| + \gamma \|p_0 - u\|$$

for any $u \in C[0, 1]$. Also, $h(f - p_\alpha) \leq \|f - p_\alpha\|_\alpha \leq \|f - p_0\|_\alpha \leq \|f - p_0\|$.

Now, replace u by p_α and get

$$\begin{aligned} \|p_0 - p_\alpha\| &\leq \frac{1}{\gamma} (\|f - p_\alpha\| - \|f - p_0\|) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\gamma} (\|f - p_\alpha\| - h(f - p_\alpha)) \leq \frac{2L}{\gamma} \alpha. \end{aligned}$$

For the second part of the theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &\leq \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|p_\alpha - p_0\|}{\alpha} \leq \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\gamma} \left(\frac{\|f - p_\alpha\| - \|f - p_0\|}{\alpha} \right) \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{\gamma} \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|f - p_\alpha\| - \|f - p_\alpha\|_\alpha}{\alpha} \\
 &\leq \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\alpha} \int_{x_\alpha}^{x_\alpha + \alpha} \left(\frac{|(f - p_\alpha)(x_\alpha)| - |(f - p_\alpha)(x)|}{\alpha} \right) \\
 &\leq \max_{x_\alpha \leq x \leq x_\alpha + \alpha} \frac{|(f - p_\alpha)(x_\alpha)| - |(f - p_\alpha)(x)|}{\alpha} = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

where $|(f - p_\alpha)(x_\alpha)| = \|f - p_\alpha\|$.

This proves the second part of the theorem.

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